

# The Elba Clipper

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## County Commission Agrees To Build New Jail Behind Courthouse

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, January 26, at the courthouse in Elba, and the meeting was the first for four new members. Joining returning commissioners Gilmer Grant and Rex Boutwell were newly-elected members Charlie Mack Martin, Billy Egerton, Marvin Bowden and Eugene Bradley.

The first order of business was to open bids on 25,000 assessment sheets for the Tax Assessor's Office. Bids were received from: Brown Printing Company - \$1,474; Roberts & Sons - \$1,948.85; Quality Printing - \$1,734.15; Tyler Office Supply - \$1,650, and Dixie Printing Company - \$1,690.34. The Commission accepted the low bid from Brown Printing Company.

An A-95 Review for an application for Federal funds was announced, with a total of \$91,265 sought by the Human Resource & Development Commission. The funds will be used to transport residents from the rural areas to the cities. The Commission concurred with the request.

A letter from the Attorney General's office asked the Commission to support a consumer protection bill to be introduced in the next session of the state legislature. The Commission took no action on the request and passed copies of the bill to each member for further study.

Commissioner Rex Boutwell, the acting chairman in the absence of Judge James L. Sawyer, presented a list of proposals from three local firms for rewriting to be done on an office in the Enterprise courthouse. A new office had been remodelled for use of the probation officer recently, and the past commission agreed to pay for the rewriting work. Bids were received from Goolsby Brothers, Lindsey Plumbing and Electric, and James Horace Plumbing and Electric. The Commission decided to do additional research on the skill of the contractors before accepting a proposal.

Commission Clerk Brunese Winston had a little good news for the Commission, as she reported the

"hiring freeze" on CETA employees would be lifted on February 2, enabling the county to get 5 new workers.

The "old business" of hiring an architect to design a jail for Enterprise again came up for discussion, and the new Commission agreed something needed to be done. They decided a concrete fee needed to be received from the firm of Pearson, Humphries, Jones and Associates. The firm was selected at an informal meeting by the past Commission, but a fee to the county was never discussed. It was agreed that a special meeting will be held with the firm on Monday, February 2, at 10:00 a.m., to discuss the architectural costs to the county.

The Commission may have been new at their jobs, but it didn't take long to get the members divided into their separate corners. The fight came over the location of the new jail and brought a varying of opinions.

"We have 90 days to satisfy the judge," said commissioner Charlie Mack Martin, "and we must take some other steps to do that. The previous commission voted to build a new jail behind the courthouse in Enterprise, but we don't even own the land. We need to proceed and buy the land - I see no reason for waiting around."

"I believe there is cheaper land on a better site," stated Commissioner Eugene Bradley, "and I think we need to look around."

"I say we need to do something now," repeated Martin, "and I make a motion we go ahead and take the option on the land and buy it."

The motion was seconded by Gilmer Grant and passed by a vote of 3-2. Voting in favor of the motion were Martin, Grant and Billy Egerton, while voting "no" were Bradley and Marvin Bowden. Commissioner Rex Boutwell felt he couldn't vote because he was serving as acting-chairman, but he stated he was in favor of buying the property.

Before the discussion ended, Bradley got in the final word by saying, "I wouldn't want the land. We could



County Commissioner Charlie Mack Martin listens to objections following his motion to purchase land behind the Enterprise courthouse. The land will be the site of a new county jail.

use \$40,000 in a lot of other places. We could get the option to buy the land renewed, and I don't think we have to hurry because I don't think anyone would want the land!"

County Attorney Warren Rowe told the Commission he would contact the city officials in Enterprise, have a deed drawn up and make the transaction final when a check was drawn.

Commissioner Martin wasn't finished talking, however, and next proceeded to question the need to reserve parking spaces at the Enterprise courthouse. Martin stated all the "choice spaces" close to the courthouse were reserved, and questioned why the Sheriff's Department needed five places.

"The people resent the large number of places being reserved," added Martin, "and I think it should be looked into. At least 12 or 13 spaces are reserved, and I'd like to know what gives them the right."

The Commission agreed to check and find just how many spaces are reserved and to whom, and discuss the problem at the next meeting.

Tax Collector Ronnie Burns addressed the Commission and asked for permission to combine the offices of the Tax Assessor and Tax Collector, and

## Purchase Auto Tags Prior To End Of Month

Coffee Countians whose last names begin with "A" and "D" have only one more day to renew their tags.

Probate Judge James Sawyer issues this reminder to motorists - that after tomorrow, Friday, January 30, a \$2.00 penalty will be charged for tags purchased within the next ten days. The

fee goes up to \$15.00 if tags aren't purchased within 20 days after the month's end, and \$25.00 if 30 days go by.

Also, the courthouse will not be open Saturday, and will close Friday afternoon at 5:00.

## Three County Leaders Named To Jury Commission

The office of Gov. Fob James announced last week that three Coffee County residents had been appointed to the Coffee County Jury Commission for the term expiring in January, 1983. Appointed to the Commission were,

Mr. Byron S. Bruce, Jr., of Rt. 1, Elba; Mr. B.Z. Reynolds, of Crescent Drive, Enterprise; and Mr. Lawrence Deikamus, of West Watts Avenue, Enterprise.



Girl Scout Troops 399 and 47 are shown with the first boxes of Girl Scout cookies to be distributed in Elba. The annual cookie sale will last from January 30 - February 14. The girls will have 6 kinds of cookies to offer - at \$1.50 per box. Proceeds go to Girl Scout camps & troop activities. "Buy some cookies from the Scouts."

## Bryan Buys Local Auto Sav

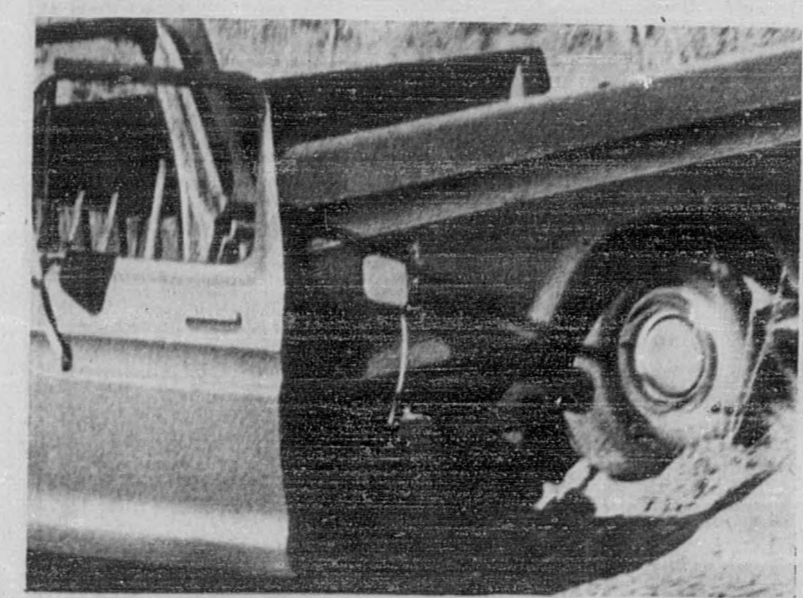
Ronald Bryan has purchased the local Auto Sav station at the corner of Claxton and Buford Streets, and is now open for business.

Haley said he felt it was impossible to give the service the people deserved with his illness and continuing trips to Montgomery for treatment.

Bryan purchased the business from Frank Haley, who closed it during the latter part of December due to illness.

Bryan has 18 years experience in similar work, and said he hoped to give the people of the area quality automobile service.

## Soldier Found In Charred Pick-Up



The hose hanging from the gas tank led officers to believe foul play was involved in the burning of the truck.

A routine search Saturday night of the smoldering ruins of a 1978 Ford pickup truck revealed the charred remains of a Ft. Rucker soldier. The victim was later identified as Jimmy E. Tucker, age 31, and registered owner of the vehicle.

The Kinston Fire Department extinguished the burning truck shortly before midnight Saturday night, and a fireman remaining on the scene on County Road 6, just west of Highway 87 South (Elba-Samson Highway) in the Fairview Community, discovered the body as soon as the smoke from the fire and steam from fire-fighting efforts cleared. The fireman had remained on the scene to insure that neither the vehicle nor the surrounding grass and weeds didn't flame back up.

Law enforcement officers had already been called on the suspicion that the vehicle might have been a stolen truck. This was because soon after arriving at the scene, Kinston Fireman Billy Mullins noticed a short piece of hose hanging from the vehicle's gas tank.

When the Kinston fireman discovered the charred body, he radioed the information to the Kinston police, and a call was placed to Coffee County Coroner Danny Bradley and additional law enforcement investigators.

The body wasn't removed from the truck until about mid-morning Sunday, as investigators were carefully preserving any evidence that might have been present. Dental records were used to establish that the remains were those of E-7 Jimmy E. Tucker, who lived in a mobile home on the Ft. Rucker reservation. He was the father of two daughters, ages 15 and 11, who



Investigator Charlie Brooks, from the Enterprise Crime Lab, ponders the case while kneeling in front of the pickup. The case is still under investigation by area law officers.

## Mental Health Plans Survey

The South Central Alabama Mental Health Board is in the process of concluding the Developmental Disabilities Survey in Coffee, Crenshaw, Butler and Covington Counties. The survey team is presently conducting a follow-up in each county area to assure that the project has not missed a handicapped individual in their survey.

The time frame for the follow-up consists of a two-day period in each county area. The survey team will again be seeking individuals with:

- (1) a mental or physical impairment
- (2) occurring before age 22 and
- (3) lasting indefinitely.

Dates for the survey team to return to Coffee County will be February 2 and

- 3: Crenshaw County - February 4 and 5;
- Butler County - February 6 and 9;
- Covington County - February 10 and 11.

These return visits will be concerned with individuals which might have been overlooked in the initial survey. If any handicapped person has been missed, residents may contact the Mental Health Center through the following numbers:

For Coffee County - 347-0212; Crenshaw - 335-5201; Butler - 382-2018; Covington - 222-2523.

## Registration Dates Announced

The Coffee County Board of Registrars announces they will be open the following dates:

Elba - Feb. 2 - 6, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00

p.m.  
Enterprise - Feb. 9 - 13, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## New Rabies Vaccine Is Painless & Simple To Administer

The human diploid cell rabies vaccine, available since last August, is "virtually painless and has almost no adverse side effects," said Dr. Wallace E. Birch, State Public Health Veterinarian.

"With its use ....the results are excellent."

Only five doses of vaccine are now needed for protection against rabies, while earlier vaccines required 23 painful daily injections. The human diploid cell vaccine is administered in the muscle of the arm instead of the abdomen as was done with the previously used duck embryo vaccine.

The vaccine is administered over a 28-day period. It is available only to physicians through the Health Department.

There were 56 cases of rabies diagnosed in animals and reported throughout the state during 1980, and approximately 270 doses of the vaccine have been distributed by the State Department of Public Health since it became available last August.

## Bloodmobile Is Scheduled

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Elba on February 4, from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. at the Army Reserve Center.

Everyone who can is urged to go and contribute a gift of blood to help another person.

POOR ORIGINAL

# Brainstorms

With Fern Cox

Everyone who hasn't been hiding under the bed for the past week and a half knows the former hostages are home from Iran. The news media have had a field day with reporting the day-by-day happenings, and therefore the American public is well aware of the whole thing. We are a little bit concerned over the attention given to statements that a number of the former hostages have some lingering mental problems from the long months of confinement. We don't question that the ordeal was a strain on all of them, but also have the opinion that a bunch of egghead psychologists contend most of us need help anyway. Therefore we are more inclined to believe the 52 former hostages when they say all is okay.

The Coffee County commissioners began a new era Monday when the four new members sat around the table and joined in the decision-making for the first time. They wasted little time in making some decisions, and indicated they plan to take action immediately and not continually postpone decisions that might prove unpopular. We like this idea, even though we realize some of these actions will not be exactly what we think is the best thing to do. One thing we urge them to wait about is hiring someone to design a new jail for Enterprise. As far as we know, as of yet, they don't even know what their needs are in the jail situation. We feel this should be the first decision and it should be made only after a certain amount of studying the needs, and at the same time ignoring the bright ideas of various pressure groups and/or us nutty editorial writers.

Last week we reported that Rescue Squad Captain Robert Davis reported to the city council about "shortage of funds." Robert said he didn't say that. Ye old editor has heard "shortage of funds" so much, apparently that it is all he hears when these five folks stand up at a meeting. We are happy the rescue squad has improved collections to about 50% and is on an even keel at present.

There is an photo taken of a group from Goodman School with their lunch in "syrup pails." Actually most are coffee cans, but the idea is the same. They topped off the picture session with a big pal for ye ole editor. Therefore, on Tuesday, my lunch consisted of sausage and biscuit, cheese and crackers, and some parched peanuts - compliments of Mary Holley's third grade and their "Hard Times Day."

The late Sunday football game just failed to excite the Super Bowl watchers at our house. All our favorite teams had been eliminated from the race, and we just didn't care much for either of the contenders. However, we watched the game and must admit some satisfaction after hearing of the winning quarterback's return from the scrap heap to fame. There is hope for the rest of us after all.

Ye old editor didn't journey to Washington for the installing of a new president last week. We did receive one of those big engraved invitations and wondered aloud "why in the world did we get this?" Upon reading another enclosed card, however, we discovered the invitation had only been sent as a memento and did not offer admission to any of the official events. Oh well, we still ain't arrived as a big wheel, but maybe the country will survive without us.

Last week we published a letter from a cat lover who had had trouble with her cat up a tree. We didn't add any editor's note at that time, but have decided to comment here this week. It was obvious by reading the letter the lady was upset, and loved her cat. . . we don't object to that at all. Also, we understand her frustrations, but feel that after thinking about it, we all realize that probably the cat wasn't 75 feet high (that is an awful high tree in Coffee County), and also that the local fire department has never - but never - refused to respond to a house fire. We hope the cat is well and has learned a lesson from the experience.

## Death

**MACON D. CROCKER**  
Mr. Macon D. Crocker, age 64, died January 20, 1981, in a Charleston hospital, in Charleston, South Carolina.

Graveside services were held Friday, January 23, 1981, at 3 p.m. in Evergreen Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Bernice Crocker, Charleston, S.C.; one son - Donald Crocker, Mt. Pleasant, S.C.; one daughter - Gwendolyn Elaine Mixon, Mobile, AL; two sisters - Patsy, 1901, Dothan, and Irene Marler, Elba; four brothers - Junior and Marvin Crocker, both of Elba, Burke Crocker, Georgia, and Loren Crocker, Cape Canaveral, FL; and 7 grandchildren.

**JESSIE M. FREE**  
Mrs. Jessie M. Free, 80, of Elba, died Sunday, January 25, 1981, at the Elba hospital.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 26, 1981, at 2:00 p.m. at the Elba Church of Christ with Minister Terry Gunnels officiating. Burial was in the New Home Church Cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include her husband, James J. Free of Elba; two sons - James B. Free and Willie Free, both of Apopka, FL; three brothers - Beaman Bryant of Opp, Mark Bryant of Apopka, FL; seven sisters - Lennie Hawthorne and Annie Marler, both of Opp, Eula Williams and Marie Bryan, both of Elba, Vida Free of Kinston, Mollie Crews, Anniston and Pearl Smith of Florida; and five grandchildren.

**PAUL ODOM**  
Funeral services for Mr. Paul Odom, 50, of Elba, were held Tuesday afternoon, January 26, 1981, at 2 o'clock at the Zoar Community Church, with Rev. Chester Holley officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Odell Odom of Elba; three sons - Jim Paul, Sid Alton, and Jeffery David Odom, all of Elba; two daughters - Gail Salter and Patricia Johnson, both of Elba; one brother - James Odom of Elba; two sisters - Ida Mae Hughes of Troy and Ester Mae Starting of Ozark; and nine grandchildren.

**LEWIS STEPHENS, SR.**  
Mr. Lewis Stephens, Sr., age 80, of New Brockton, died Thursday, January 22, 1981, in a Dothan hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, January 23, 1981, at 1:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of New Brockton. Burial was in the New Brockton City Cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Brock Stephens; one son - Lewis Stephens, Jr., Elba; two daughters - Gloria S. Gannon, Houston, Texas, Bettye S. Hensby, Dothan; two sisters - Evelyn Hood of Enterprise, and Agnes Martin of Talladega; 12 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

**IRVIN PRESTON FREE**  
Mr. Irvin Preston Free, 79, of Rt. 4, Elba, died January 21, 1981, in the Elba General Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, January 23, 1981, at 1:30 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Alma Boutwell Free, Elba; two sons - Rudolph Free and Joe Free, both of Elba; three brothers - Charlie Free and Jim Free, both of Elba; Bob Free of Kinston; one sister - Martha Free of Elba; and 5 grandchildren.

**MARY ANNA MAE FULLER**  
Mrs. Mary Anna Mae Fuller, of Rt. 1, Elba, age 91, died January 22, 1981, in the Elba Nursing Home. Funeral services were held Friday, January 23, 1981, at 11:00 a.m. at the Zion Chapel Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include four sons - B.B. Fuller, W.R. (Ras) Fuller and Turman Fuller, all of Elba, and Gertrude Fuller, Talladega; two daughters - Valda Brand, Talladega and Janette Beasley, of Opelika, AL; and 21 grandchildren.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Ferris:

In response to the letter in last week's paper concerning the cat in the tree I would like to state that the Elba Fire Department is always ready and willing to respond at any hour of the day to anyone's call for help. But the Elba Fire Department is a volunteer department. We work as a team and the policy of the department is that the alarm MUST be sounded in order to bring us together because we are not at the fire station, but at our jobs, places of business, home, etc.

The ladders on our fire trucks are 28 feet long, which is sufficient for the Elba area. The lady stated that the cat was in a tree 75 feet high. We do not have tall aerial ladder fire trucks like the large cities. Surely the lady can understand that we could not reach the cat. We would have been just as helpless as she was when we were called to the scene. She also stated that we probably wouldn't respond to the call regarding the cat, we would have failed to answer a fire call or any type of emergency in which we COULD help. We take great pride in responding and being able to help anyone at any time.

Sincerely,  
/s/ Loyd Driggers  
Chief  
Elba Fire Department

**JOHNIE AUGUSTUS DUNN**  
Mr. Johnnie Augustus Dunn, age 80, of Rt. 3, Elba, died January 22, 1981, in an Enterprise hospital. Funeral services were held January 23, 1981, at 10:30 a.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Cemetery, with Hayes directing.

Survivors include his wife, Della Johnson Dunn, Elba; two sons - John R. Dunn, Opp, Douglas Dunn, Elba; one daughter - Obie Ruth Hutto and Josephine Peashears, both of Enterprise; Myrtle Lockard, New Brockton, Rachel Parker, Opp; four brothers - Mattie Moore, Enterprise, Morris Dunn, Opp, Clifford Dunn and Andrew Dunn, Talladega, FL; three sisters - Mattie Moore, Enterprise, Nola Hickman and Della Sims, both of Tampa; and 10 grandchildren.

**MARION ALVA DE VANE**  
Mr. Marion Alva De Vane, age 67, of Elba, died January 15, 1981, in a Pensacola hospital. Funeral services were held January 17, 1981, at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of New Brockton. Burial was in the New Brockton City Cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Della Maddox De Vane, Elba; one son - Marion Claude De Vane, Milton, FL; one daughter - Cheryl Sellers, Headland, AL; one brother - Olen De Vane, Jacksonville, FL; and one grandchild.

**LEON AUBREY NALL**  
Mr. Leon Aubrey Nall, age 73, of Rt. 2, Elba, died January 16, 1981. Funeral services were held January 17, 1981, at 3:00 p.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Piney Grove Church Cemetery, with Hayes directing.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Della Maddox De Vane, Elba; one son - Marion Claude De Vane, Milton, FL; one daughter - Cheryl Sellers, Headland, AL; one brother - Olen De Vane, Jacksonville, FL; and one grandchild.

**JOB WITH STATE**  
The Alabama State Personnel Department recently announced examinations for filling present vacancies in the following positions:  
Clerk I (\$9,581-\$11,582)  
Clerk II (\$9,581-\$11,661)  
Clerk Typist I (\$8,931-\$10,907)  
Clerk Typist II (\$9,906-\$12,051)  
Clerk Stenographer I (\$9,581-\$11,661)  
Clerk Stenographer II (\$10,582-\$12,883).

Full information and application forms may be obtained from the State Personnel Department at Montgomery or from any local office of the State Employment Service.

Applications should be filed by February 23, 1981.

## Weekly Police Docket

MONDAY, JAN. 19

7:07 a.m. - Male caller reported a powerline down at the back of the Middle School.

12:46 p.m. - Male caller reported a woods fire on County Road 42, near packing house.

1:02 p.m. - Male caller called back to complain about the dispatcher called the forest ranger instead of sending fire truck. He advised two trucks were in danger.

1:16 p.m. - Police Chief requested send fire trucks to woods fire.

3:05 p.m. - Principal requested police come to his office at Elba High School out of car with a broken-down school bus.

4:13 p.m. - Dorsey guard called to report a wreck at intersection of 84 West and 166. Road condition unknown.

4:50 p.m. - County jail called to advise of a fire at Wilkinson (reported by the Ozark tower).

5:18 p.m. - Patrolman reported he has two subjects in custody and he is enroute to the station.

6:52 p.m. - Two women are arrested for theft, third degree. Released on county jail requested Rescue Squad transfer a body from C.C. Bess Store to Dale County morgue.

7:06 p.m. - Patrolman advised kids riding bicycles in parking lot and requested we ask them to leave.

5:27 p.m. - Warden at county jail requested Rescue Squad transfer a body from C.C. Bess Store to Dale County morgue.

7:06 p.m. - Patrolman advised kids riding bicycles in parking lot and requested we ask them to leave.

8:50 p.m. - Caller reports a prowler is at a home on Smith Avenue.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 20**  
12:30 a.m. - Three women are arrested for third degree assault, on warrants.

6:30 a.m. - Male caller reported a car in ditch on County Road 42, near packing house.

6:39 a.m. - Police advised a man his wife was involved in accident, not injured.

2:00 p.m. - Man advised he hit a car in front of high school.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 22**  
7:48 a.m. - Patrolman reported he issued a citation for speeding to a male driver.

7:48 a.m. - Male caller reported a stolen barricade from construction site on 84 W.

8:25 a.m. - Patrolman reported he had a subject in custody and was enroute to station.

8:41 a.m. - Caller from Elba General Hospital requested Rescue Squad transfer a patient to a Montgomery hospital.



These three students from Goodman stopped off in Elba on their way to the Museum in Troy. They were observing "Hard Times Day," and dressed and ate accordingly. They carried a syrup-bucket lunch, including sausage and biscuits, tea cake, and drank water. They were accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Mary Holley, and some parents. At the museum they were to be shown weaving and other old-time crafts.

10:32 p.m. - Woman caller advised of a woods fire on 189 S., in the Clark Subdivision.

11:19 p.m. - Male caller requested a woods fire on 125 North.

12:23 p.m. - Male caller requested fire trucks on 87 North, grass fire is endangering a barn.

4:42 p.m. - Patrolman issued a citation for speeding to a male driver.

6:11 p.m. - Patrolman issued a citation for speeding to a male driver.

7:50 p.m. - Woman caller requested police at her home on Davis Street on 125 reports a prowler in her house.

9:15 p.m. - Woman caller on 125 reports a prowler in her house.

10:11 p.m. - Man reported a black Chevrolet pickup doing bad driving on 189 North.

10:23 p.m. - Nurse caller at hospital reported a man at hospital is drunk.

11:09 p.m. - Arrest made for public drunkenness and resisting arrest.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 25**  
6:53 a.m. - Male caller reported his goat is missing.

11:31 a.m. - Deputy Sheriff reports a combine on fire on Taylor Road.

12:11 p.m. - Patrolman are out at a fight on Velma's Cafe.

12:50 p.m. - Patrolman reported he saw someone running from Dorsey guard shack.

3:40 p.m. - Woman caller requests Rescue Squad at a home on Taylor Mill Road.

5:48 p.m. - Nurse caller at hospital would like to talk with police.

6:02 p.m. - Patrolman reported they have two subjects in custody, request a wrecker-truck to hospital parking lot.

**BULLETIN BOARD**  
This Space Is Made Possible By  
**NATIONAL SECURITY INS CO**  
ELBA, AL  
WEIGHT WATCHERS - Elba High School library - Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.  
ROTARY CLUB - Monday Noon Holley's Restaurant  
EASTERN STAR - 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:00 p.m.  
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - 1st & 3rd Thurs. 9:00 a.m. Elba Exchange Bank  
ELBA JAYCEES - 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. People's Bank. New members welcome.  
ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 1st & 3rd Monday, 6:00 p.m. Holley's Restaurant  
ELBA LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Holley's Restaurant  
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - Superintendent's Office  
BFW - 2nd Monday, 7:00 p.m. - Holley's Restaurant  
ELBA JAYCEETTES - 3rd Monday, 7:30 p.m. People's Bank Building. All Jaycees wives invited.  
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Legion Home, Troy Hwy. Members bring covered dish.  
BOY SCOUTS - Mondays, 7:00 p.m. at the pool  
WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD - 1st Monday, 5:00 p.m. City Hall  
EL A MASONIC LODGE #170 - 1st & 3rd Saturday nly; 2nd & 4th Monday nights - 7:00 p.m.  
ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - Tues. 7:30 p.m. EHS auditorium.  
WOW Lodge 458 - Masonic Hall, New Brockton, 7:30 p.m. 1st Tues. each month

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7 1/2 oz. **4 \$1**

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1/2 gal. **\$2.19**

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lb. bag **\$2.36**

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11 oz. **78c**

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3-PIECE PLACE SETTING  
ONLY **29c**  
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2 lb. ctn. **\$1.99**  
all varieties except sliced beef  
Personally Selected Beef Sirloin **\$3.29**  
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Strip Steak family pack **\$3.89**  
Personally Selected Beef Boneless **\$2.09**  
Pork Chops family pack **\$2.49**  
Pork Chops **\$2.49**  
Pork Ribs **\$2.49**  
USDA Grade 'A' Mixed Fryer Parts **49c**  
Personally Selected Assorted Pork Chops **\$1.69**

**Good Value Frozen Cut Corn, Green Peas or Mixed VEGETABLES**  
20 oz. **79c**  
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Frozen Assorted Varieties JENO'S PIZZAS **\$1.09**  
12 oz. **\$1.09**

**Kraft PARKAY OLEO**  
lb. **57c**  
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4 pk.  
Kraft Single Wrapped American, Swiss or Light & Lively Sliced CHEESE FOOD **\$1.69**  
12 oz.  
Kraft Mild, Medium or Colby CHEDDAR CHEESE **\$1.29**  
8 oz.  
Kraft Grapenfruit or ORANGE JUICE **79c**  
32 oz.  
Flav-O-Rich or Dairy Fresh BUTTERMILK **79c**  
1/2 gal.

**Good Value Combination FROZEN PIZZAS**  
19 oz. **\$1.49**  
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20 oz. **89c**  
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## Sunday To Host Holy Land Tour

Rev. Charles Sunday will host an area group to join the Holy Land Tour, being conducted by Evangelist Melvin Wise of Atlanta. The trip will begin on June 29, 1981. Rev. Sunday is pastor of South Lena Baptist Church in Dothan.

The tour will include a 15-day tour of the Holy Land, Jordan, Rome, Egypt, Athens and an additional three days to Switzerland. Some of the sites that will be visited will be the Land of the Pharaohs and the Pyramid Sea of Galilee, the Dead Sea and Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, the site of the Sermon on the Mount, River Jordan, Garden of Gethsemane, Golgotha, the Walling Wall, Beersheba, and the City of David. Mrs. H. H. Paul addressed the citizens of Athens. These are to name a few, in addition to the group will travel through the Holy Land.

Mr. Frank Davis of Rt. 4, Eufaula, displays the marriage certificate of his grandfather and grandmother, Mr. Levi Davis and Miss Frances English, who were "united in marriage at Elba, Alabama, December 27, 1860, St. Brantley Peacock officiating."

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Davis had a large family which they reared on a farm in Coffee County. Mr. Frank's father, Jim Davis, was one of those children, and Mr. Jim and his wife in turn reared seven children, including Frank.

Mr. Frank, who is 66, has a sister in Elba, Mrs. Rena Medley, and a son, Donald Davis, who lives in the Victoria Community.

## News From Our EARL HILLS

TEN YEARS AGO  
JANUARY 28, 1971

\*\*\*Deborah Hoot and Rex Parish were selected by District VIII of the Alabama Bandmasters Association to represent the Elba High School band in the All-State high school band. Deborah is a clarinetist and Rex is a saxophone player.

\*\*\*Spec. S. Kenneth A. Bolen, a Vietnam veteran and a patient at Lyster Army Hospital, Ft. Rucker, was named by the Army Surgeon General, who was touring the base, and the Chief of Nursing at Lyster. Bolen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bolen of Jacksonville.

\*\*\*Dennis Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, has accepted a grant-in-aid scholarship to play football at Clemson in South Carolina. Smith was a starting running back at Elba High School and a terror to opposing teams when he got the football.

\*\*\*Mrs. Nadine Fuller has resigned as Clerk of the County Extension Council in Elba. She was elected to the position in 1971. Mrs. Fuller is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd B. Allen, Jr. of Elba.

\*\*\*The Cotton Committee of the County Extension Council was composed of Horace Sessions, Heber Clark, and Z. I. Fleming. They met and discussed problems in growing the crop.

\*\*\*M/Sgt. Noah A. Clark, Jr.'s outfit has received the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award. He is a member of the 71st Missile Warning Wing, his unit being at Clear Air Station, Alaska.

TWENTY YEARS AGO  
FEBRUARY 2, 1961

\*\*\*One of the finest things a mother can do is set a good example for her children to follow. An educational pattern set by an Elba mother, Mrs. Myra Johns Smith, who is Guidance and Counseling instructor at Kinston High School, is being followed today on the University of Alabama campus. Her three adopted children - Myrna, Nelda and Murray - are enrolled and studying at the Capstone. An older son, Norman, also attended the University.

\*\*\*The coldest January in 28 years was finished with a night of freezing temperatures in Elba Tuesday of this week, with a temperature of 30. The coldest night was 18 degrees, and freezing or sub-freezing temperatures were recorded 17 times during the month by J.D. Smith, who keeps weather records as a hobby.

\*\*\*Friends are in sympathy with the children of Mr. Oscar Maddox, who died Thursday night at his home. Mrs. and Mrs. Bill, and Mr. and Mrs. Young W. Rainer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allen, and the honorees.

\*\*\*Miss Virginia Lee Dorsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Dorsey, of Elba, was recently at the annual Spring Fashion Review and Golf Park College in Gulfport, Miss. She is a sophomore at the college.

\*\*\*Jimmy C. Rhoades, of Georgia Tech, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.V. Rhoades. Mrs. (O.V.) Rhoades returned home from Miami Memorial Hospital last Monday and is improving at home.

\*\*\*Minnie Thorne, resident of Mulberry Heights in Elba, died at her home Saturday afternoon following an illness of eight days.

\*\*\*Mrs. Thorne was suffering from an attack of pneumonia. Surviving are her husband, Urel Thorne, her father, John Brannon, and two brothers - John H. and Lige Brannon.

\*\*\*Mrs. Thomas Ward entertained a group of children at a delightful party Tuesday afternoon, January 14, observing the second birthday of her little daughter, Margaret Rose. Guests included Patsy Mullins, Kitty and Bonnie Smith, Judy Mimms, Celia and Buddy English, Annie Jim Dorman, Bur English, Betty Kate and Evelyn Rainer, Mary Helen Martin, Freddie Brooks, Pete Dorsey, Leila Ann Sawyer, Ann Ellis, Jerry Brunson, Jeff Carney, Lewis Knox Jeter, Sammie Hutchison, Rosa Del, Tommie Whitman and Ruth Hillon.

\*\*\*The Elba Fire Department was called to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hatcher in Basin Community January 23 in the afternoon when a pile of light poles near the large barn caught fire. The barn contained a large quantity of hay and other inflammable material. Mr. Hatcher said Mrs. Hatcher had been burning trash and the blaze spread to the pile of poles. Firemen quickly doused the flames.

\*\*\*M. and Mrs. L.P. Mullins are in Cleveland, Ohio, this week attending the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Convention.



## PASTOR'S CORNER

BEN AMLONG  
Zion Chapel Baptist Church

### HOW TO CHANGE A LIFE

Sometimes honest praise has the power to change discouraged, defeated individuals into happy persons. Unkind criticism, on the other hand, often embitters a person in addition to discouraging him from further effort.

Praise takes many forms and can be demonstrated effectively in a variety of ways. An employer can expect improved work in a subordinate when praise is tactfully given. A mother praising her child can look forward to improvement in some accomplishment.

A writer whose book or story is favorably reviewed will work even harder on the next attempt. An artist who outdoes himself when his work is praised.

Well-dressed praise can make the day for a person who is facing disappointment and distress. Some people, however, feel that to praise the efforts of another is to be sycophantic and insincere. Often the case is that they have not closely examined the other person's good points. Each of us has certain abilities lacking in someone else, and to praise those accomplishments is to recognize his individuality.

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**NEW BROCKTON METHODIST - Eugene Hall**  
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship...7:00 p.m.  
Bible Study...7:00 p.m.

**SOULS HARBOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - David Overstreet**  
Sun. Worship...10:00 a.m.  
Sun. Night...7:00 p.m.  
Church Training...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP - Terry Yates**  
Held at Morning View Baptist Church in Sanson  
Sunday Serv...8:00 p.m.  
Tues. Night Serv...7:00 p.m.

**BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH - Albin Moore**  
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Church Training...6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST - Terry E. Gonnels**  
Bible Study...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study...7:00 p.m.

**WISE MILLS ASSEMBLY OF GOD - D.D. Bryant**  
Morn. Worship...9:45 a.m.  
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Church Practice...4:30 p.m.  
Young People Serv...5:00 p.m.  
Home Prayer-Fri...7:00 p.m.

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Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
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Tues. Night Wor...7:30 p.m.  
Prayer Service-Youth Service

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Morn. Worship...9:45 a.m.  
Even. Worship...5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Night...7:00 p.m.

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Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Youth Serv...7:00 p.m.

**ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH - Larry Grimm**  
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Train. Union...6:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship...7:00 p.m.  
1st Sun. Afternoon...2:00 p.m.

**MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH - Fred A. Fowler**  
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Church Training...6:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship...7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**WHITWATER BAPTIST CHURCH - David Rieburg**  
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Church Practice...4:30 p.m.  
Even. Worship...7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH - Howard Foreman**  
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Church Training...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED METHODIST - John C. Carmichael**  
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Children & Youth Church Practice...6:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship...7:00 p.m.

**DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH - Silas Shepard**  
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
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Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH - Hoy Cooper**  
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Train. Union...5:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH - Ben Amlong**  
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Church Training...6:30 p.m.  
Youth Choir Pract...4:00 p.m.  
Church Train...5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Wor...8:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD - Harvey Bowlin**  
Sunday School...9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST - Billy Gregory**  
Sunday School...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Train. Union...5:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

**MULBERRY HEIGHTS CHURCH OF CHRIST - Bro. R.B. Williams**  
Bible Study...10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study...7:00 p.m.

## Around The Town

Mrs. Nellie Martin

Yes, I love Elba! I moved here in 1919; since then I've been a part of the community and part of that Baptist church. I have known and loved every pastor and his family in my sixty-two years in that church.

There have been many experiences. Well do I remember the Elba flood of March of 1929. We waited the flood with the Campbell family at Curtis. My late husband worked for Mr. Bob Cooper for many years. I served as mayor of Elba for 34 years. We counted it a privilege to rear our children here, however, they are married and live elsewhere. They think I should close shop and move, but no, I'm too happy to leave Elba. I have so many thoughtful and obliging friends. Why, last week, Ray Trammell came and went under my house to cut the water off, so I'd not have to worry about frozen pipes. Elba is the place for me.

Yes, Mrs. Catherine (L.P.) Mullins, your conscientious family and your special interest for 62 "fat and lean" years have made it the best!

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## Are You Afraid Of Opera?

It is easy to understand why so many people never go to the opera. The closest one is sometimes hundreds of miles away. On Tuesday, February 3, the opera is coming to us, right here in Elba! No, it isn't one of those heavy, bloody Wagnerian operas, sung in German, or one of those sad and depressing operas by Puccini, sung in Italian.

It is to be a funny and colorful opera by Donizetti sung in ENGLISH! The opera is "Don Pasquale," but it's not about pizzas. It's about an old man who tries to trick his nephew out of his inheritance by marrying a young girl and taking all his money.

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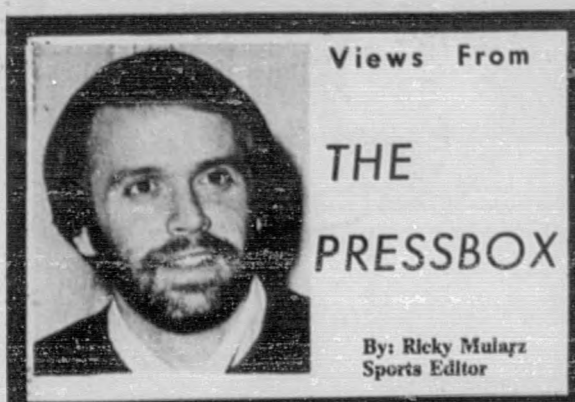
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# SPORTS



## Views From THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularg  
Sports Editor

Before the basketball season started, I told Elba High's Coach Jerry Kirkland his team wouldn't win as many games as the football team. Boy, was I wrong! The season still has 4 weeks left and the Elba basketball team has already made me eat my words. This year's team doesn't have any superstars and isn't loaded with talent - but they do have a great desire to win. The Tigers give it all they've got in every second of every game and never give up. It makes no difference what the score is or how things are going, Elba's players never get shaken up and always battle back. After watching Elba play this season, I think they have a great shot at posting the school's first winning season in several years.

No one works harder than Coach Kirkland or his players, and they deserve a lot of credit for the fine season they are having. We only have two home games left, so come on folks - come out and watch 'em play. They deserve your support!

I am a devout basketball fan and will go almost anywhere to see a good team play. Luckily, this season I don't have to go far to see two of the top teams in the state play. Why? Because it's only 7 miles to New Brockton, and only 16 to Kinston!

The New Brockton Gamecocks have as much talent as any team in the state, and Coach Charles Cole's squad is as explosive as Mt. St. Helens! They have a deadly combination of speed, height and good shooters, and have a solid chance at winning the State 2A championship. The only thing that can stop Brockton is themselves - if they play up to their potential, there isn't a team in their class that can beat 'em. The Gamecocks don't always give it all they've got, but they've got 4 weeks to put it all together and make it to state. Their future is definitely in their own hands.

Down at Kinston, Coach Pete Kelley's team plays a run-and-gun style of basketball that resembles a track meet. The Bulldogs have a couple of outstanding players and a lot of depth, and can run down almost any team in the area. Kinston doesn't hit the boards real well and doesn't have a solid defense, but their real "Achilles' heel" is their free-throw shooting. The Dogs are a very good 1A team and could return to the State tournament, but if a win comes down to free-throws, they could be in trouble. Free-throw shooting is something that improves with practice, and I know Coach Kelley's troops will be ready by the Area tournament.

New Brockton is ranked 4th in the state in 2A, and Kinston is 2nd in 1A. Don't be surprised if both clubs are battling for state titles late in February!

There were a couple of big upsets in the South last week, and topping the list was Headland's 25-point loss to Eufaula. Other upsets included Rebecca Comer's loss to Coffee Springs; Billingsley's loss to Autauga County; and Troy's loss to Jewell. Oh well, that's the way the ball bounces.

This week's "Clipper Poll" of the South's top high school teams does have a few new teams, but the cream continues to rise to the top.

**CLASS 4A**  
1. Selma  
2. Central of Phenix City  
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"We feel real good heading into the final weeks of play," stated Elba's Coach Jerry Kirkland. "We held a team meeting last week and everyone decided to work hard and get after all the teams left on our schedule. I think we can put it all together and win a bunch of 'em! We've only played one bad game all season, and then it was due to a let-down in the second half. We've got a pretty good club and we've won some big games. I know we've got some tough games left, but we're looking forward to it."

"I think we can post a winning record," added Kirkland, "and that will be the first in a long time for Elba. I feel good, but I know we can't loosen up. We have 4 games left on the road, and while we know they'll be tough, we're ready to go. We're still working hard and looking for some more wins."

The Tigers outscored Opp 23-13 in the final stanza to post an exciting 72-65 win over the Bobcats. In Opp, the game was nip-and-tuck in the early going, but Opp hit a streak late in the opening quarter and opened a 7-point lead at 20-13.

Elba's defense put the brakes on Opp's offense in the second quarter and cranked up their own offense to catch fire and move ahead at the half. The Bobcats pressed in the third quarter and took advantage of Elba turnovers to regain the lead at 32-49, but the Tigers refused to quit and came roaring back! Elba opened a 3-point lead with 3:00 left in the game, went into their high-stake offense to eat up the clock and hit some key buckets to tie their third win over Opp this season.

Don Horstead scored 24 points to lead Elba, and hit an incredible 10 of 11 shots from the field. Frederick Reed and Ted Horstead added 21 and 16 points for the Tigers. Craig Jones hit 18 points for Opp.

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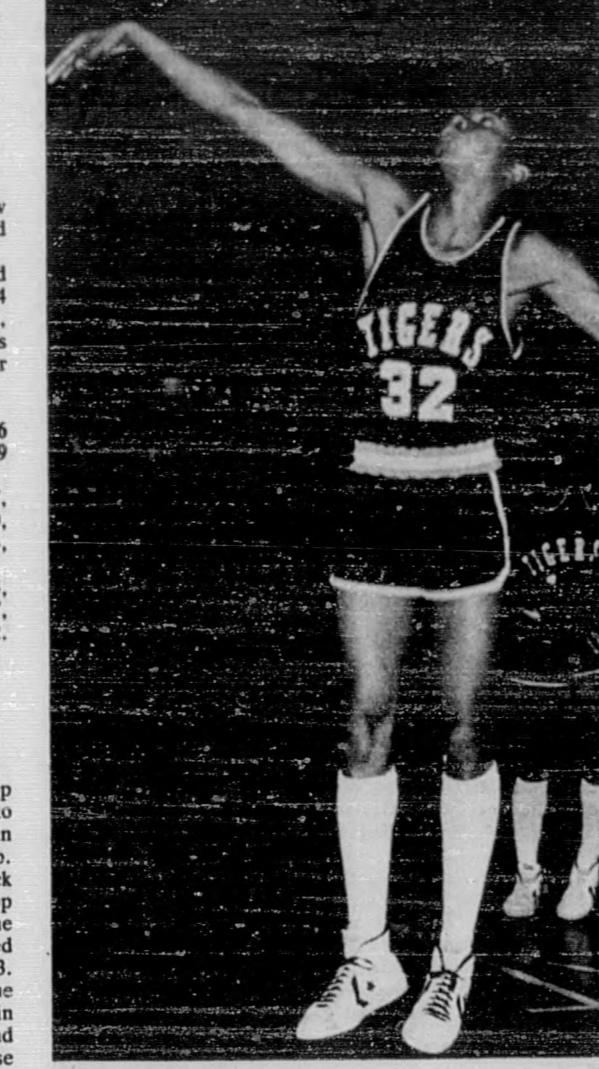
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Elba 13 22 14 23 - 72  
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The New Hope Junior High Wildcats ended their season last week with a 12-8 record. The Cats defeated Banks 81-53 and Elba 54-45, but lost to New Brockton 33-32 and Enterprise Junior High 65-45.

New Hope 81  
Banks 53  
New Hope jumped into an early 22-5 lead and breezed to an easy 81-53 win over Banks. The Cats' lead grew to as much as 40 points in the second half, but the reserves mopped up the win and Banks rallied to cut the final margin to 28.

Willie Sherman and Terry Haynes scored 17 and 11 points to pace New Hope, while Greg Haggen and Napoleon Burrows hit 10 apiece for Brockton.

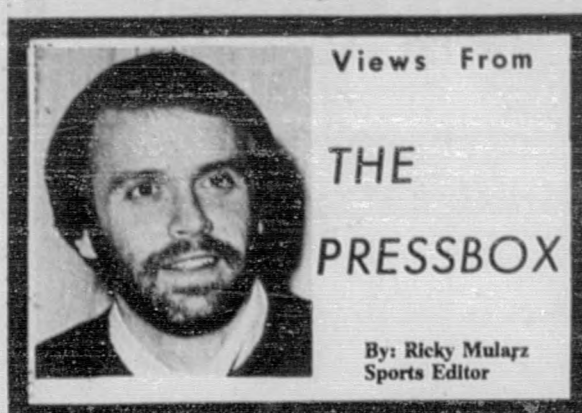
N.B. (33): Haggen 10, Burrows 10, Pruitt 8, Nelson 2, Smith 2.

N.H. (32): Sherman 17, Haynes 11, Newton 2, K. Downing 2.

Elba 54  
Banks 45  
New Hope led after one quarter and kept it close until late in the game, but simply ran out of gas and lost to Enterprise Junior High 65-45. The Cats battled all the way and trailed by only 7 points with 3 minutes left, only to tire out and absorb the loss.

Terry Haynes and Willie Sherman scored 16

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## Views From THE PRESSBOX

By: Ricky Malaz  
Sports Editor

Before the basketball season started, I told Elba High's Coach Jerry Kirkland his team wouldn't win as many games as the football team. Boy, was I wrong! The season still has 4 weeks left and the Elba basketball team has already made me eat my words. This year's team doesn't have any superstars and isn't loaded with talent - but they do have a great desire to win. The Tigers give it all they've got in every second of every game and never give up. It makes no difference what the score is or how things are going. Elba's players never get shaken up and always battle back. After watching Elba play this season, I think they have a great shot at posting the school's first winning season in several years.

No one works harder than Coach Kirkland or his players, and they deserve a lot of credit for the fine season they are having. We only have two home games left, so come on folks - come out and watch 'em play. They deserve your support!

I am a devout basketball fan and will go almost anywhere to see a good team play. Luckily, this season I don't have to go far to see two of the top teams in the state play. Why? Because it's only 7 miles to New Brockton, and only 16 to Kinston.

The New Brockton Gamecocks have as much talent as any team in the state, and Coach Charles Cole's squad is as explosive as Mt. St. Helens! They have a deadly combination of speed, height and good shooters, and have a solid chance at winning the State 2A championship. The only thing that can stop Brockton is themselves - if they play up to their potential, there isn't a team in their class that can beat 'em. The Gamecocks don't always give it all they've got, but they've got 4 weeks to put it all together and make it to state. Their future is definitely in their own hands.

Doug at Kinston. Coach Pete Kelley's team plays a run-and-gun style of basketball that resembles a track meet. The Bulldogs have a couple of outstanding players and a lot of depth, and can run down almost any team in the area. Kinston doesn't hit the boards real well and doesn't have a solid defense, but their real "Achilles heel" is their free-throw shooting. The Dogs are a very good 1A team and could return to the State tournament, but if a win comes down to free-throws, they could be in trouble. Free-throw shooting is something that improves with practice, and I know Coach Kelley's troops will be ready by the Area tournament.

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## Elba Lady Tigers Roll To 1st Win Of Season

The Elba Lady Tigers claimed their first win of the season last Friday afternoon when they posted an exciting 43-38 win over Coffee Springs. The Lady Tigers trailed 14-8 after the opening stanza, and managed to put within 2 points at the half, trailing only 21-19. Elba's girls came out ready to play in the third quarter and stunned Coffee Springs by running away for a 34-27 lead. The Lady Tigers held on in the final stanza and at the final horn celebrated the win!

A total of 55 fouls were called in the game, with 5 players fouling out. Elba hit on 13 of 31 free-throws, while Coffee Springs hit only 8 of 22.

Wanda Johnson scored 15 points and grabbed 8 rebounds to pace Elba, while Cara Horstead added 10 points and had 22 rebounds. Also scoring were Lynn Mills 8, Patricia Daniels 2, Stacey Dorsey 2 and Diane Hall 4. Jane Hugley scored 14 to lead Coffee Springs.

## Georgia Bulldog Club To Hold Banquet

The Wiregrass Chapter of the Georgia Bulldog Club will hold its annual banquet on Monday night, February 2, at the Sheraton Inn in Dothan. Social hour gets underway at 6:30, with dinner at 7:30.

Guest speakers will be Georgia assistant football coach Wayne McDuffie, and the radio voice of the Bulldogs, Larry Munson.

Reservations may be made by sending a check to Wiregrass Bulldog Club, c/o Jesse Tullis, P.O. Box 1968, Dothan, AL 36022. Tickets are \$10 each.

## Butler's Bobby Lee Hurt In Prep Cage Spotlight

Bobby Lee Hurt, highly-recruited center at Butler High School in Huntsville, passed the 2,000th career-point milestone to highlight the prep basketball scene last week. The 6-9 senior left a Thursday game early in the third quarter with 14 points after his basket put his career point total at 2,001 during an 80-53 victory over Scottsboro. He added 21 more Saturday when Butler, 22-2, raced past Johnson 55-36.

Other Spotlight Performances: Surprising Jackson-Olin, upending the top three seeds, won the Birmingham City Tournament as Tony Black's two free-throws with seven seconds left gave the champs a 66-65 victory over Phillips in the finals.

## Elba Tigers Club Opp, Up Record To 8-6

The Elba Tiger basketball team hit the court twice last week and split the games to up their record to 8-6. The Tigers lost to 2A power New Brockton 86-69 on Tuesday, but rebounded on Thursday to defeat Opp 72-65.

"We feel real good heading into the final weeks of play," stated Elba's Coach Jerry Kirkland. "We held a team meeting last week and everyone decided to work hard and get after all the teams left on our schedule. I think we can put it all together and win a bunch of 'em! We've only played one bad game all season, and then it was due to a let-down in the second half. We've got a pretty good club and we've won some big games. I know we've got some tough games left, but we're looking forward to it."

"I think we can post a winning record," added Kirkland, "and that will be the first in a long time for Elba. I feel good, but I know we can't loosen up. We have 4 games left on the road, and while we know they'll be tough, we're ready to go. We're still working hard and looking for some more wins."

**New Brockton 86**  
**Elba 69**

The New Brockton Gamecocks brought their high-scoring machine to town last week and rolled to an 86-69 win over the Tigers. Brockton came out going full-speed and jumped into an early 8-2 bulge they would never relinquish. Elba closed to within 18-15 late in the stanza, but the Gamecocks caught fire and broke the game open as they moved into a big 32-17 lead midway through the second period. Elba poured in points in the second half and matched the Gamecocks almost bucket for bucket, but

Don Horstead scored 24 points to pace Elba, and hit an incredible 10 of 11 shots from the field. Frederick Reed and Ted Horstead added 21 and 16 points for the Tigers. Craig Jones hit 18 points for Opp.

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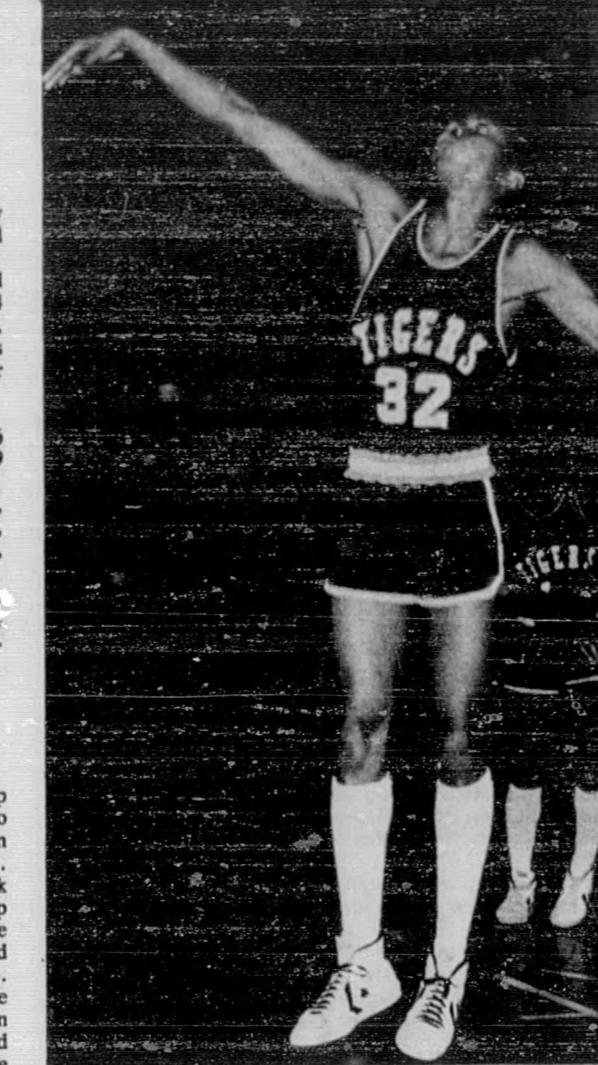
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BOBBY GUILLEY (32) . . . of Elba, jumps high in an effort to block a shot in a recent win. Guiley is the only sophomore on the Tigers' squad.

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## New Hope Wildcats End Season With 12-8 Record

The New Hope Junior High Wildcats ended their season last week with a 12-8 record. The Cats defeated Banks 81-53 and Elba 54-45, but lost to New Brockton 33-32 and Enterprise Junior High 65-45.

New Hope jumped into an early 22-5 lead and breezed to an easy 81-53 win over Banks. The Cats' lead grew to as much as 40 points in the second half, but the reserves mopped up the win and Banks rallied to cut the final margin to 28.

Willie Sherman and Terry Haynes scored 24 and 28 points to pace New Hope, while Terry Newsum added 14. Jerry Murphy hit 15 for Banks.

**New Hope (81):** Sherman 24, Haynes 28, Newsum 14, K. Downing 4, F. Downing 4, Jackson 3, Flowers 3.

**Banks (53):** Murphy 15, Simmons 10, Wilson 6, Smith 8, Adams 4, Boykins 3, Carter 2, Whitten 2, Garrett 1.

**New Hope 81**  
**Banks 53**

The Wildcats opened the Coffee County Tournament by posting a 54-45 upset win over Elba. Elba led 18-8 after one stanza, but New Hope regained the lead by the half and held on for the win.

Willie Sherman and Terry Haynes hit 20 and 13 points to pace the Cats, while Dwayne Hooks hit 13 for Elba.

**New Hope (54):** Sherman 20, Haynes 13, Newsum 1, K. Downing 6, F. Downing 7.

**Elba (45):** Siler 10, Hooks 13, Pope 4, Daniels 6, Henderson 10, Hudson 2.

**New Brockton 33**  
**New Hope 32**

New Hope saw a narrow lead vanish in the closing minute of play as they lost to New Brockton 33-32 in the semi-finals of the County Tourney. The game was a see-saw affair through all four quarters, but Brockton was on top at the end and posted the win.

Willie Sherman and Terry Haynes scored 17 and 11 points to pace New Hope, while Greg Haggan and Napoleon Burrows hit 10 apiece for Brockton.

**N.B. (33):** Haggan 10, Burrows 10, Pruitt 8, Nelson 2, Smith 2.

**N.H. (32):** Sherman 17, Haynes 11, Newsum 2, K. Downing 2.

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FRED THOMAS . . . of New Brockton goes high to grab a rebound in the Gamecocks' win over Kinston in the finals of the S.E.A.C. tournament.

## Elba Junior High Tigers Blast Goodman 74-42

The Elba Junior High Tigers led all the way to post a lopsided 74-42 win over the Goodman Eagles.

The Tigers moved on top 16-7 after one quarter, stretched their lead to 35-18 at the half and pulled away in the second half as everyone got to play.

Mark Henderson and Jerry Siler scored 25 and 10 points to lead Elba, while Chris Belle and Curtis Thomas hit 13 apiece for Goodman.

**Elba 16 19 16 23 - 74**  
**G'man 7 11 14 10 - 42**

**Elba (74):** Siler 10, Hooks 9, Pope 6, Daniels 6, Henderson 25, Folmar 2, Brewer 2, Hudson 6, McKinnon 6, Boyd 2.

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## New Brockton Beats Kinston, Again 77-72

The New Brockton Gamecocks pulled away from a 33-33 halftime deadlock to post a 77-72 win over the Kinston Bulldogs Monday night at the New Brockton gym.

The win, Brockton's third over Kinston this season, upped the Gamecocks' record to 14-4, while the Bulldogs' slate dipped to 12-7.

The cross-county rivalry played a hotly-contested opening stanza, with Kinston managing to pull into a 19-15 lead. The second quarter saw the lead see-saw as the clubs battled each other with everything they had, and at the half the score was knotted at 33-33.

Brockton came out running in the third quarter and used their fast-break to take control of the game. Robert Wilson hit 8 points from way





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